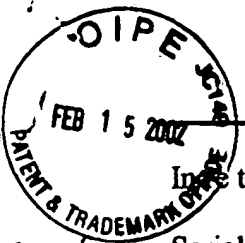


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Applicants request a one-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the Office Action dated December 4, 2001 (Paper No. 5) for the above-identified application.

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